

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Division of Marine Fisheries

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## APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING and/or FOR-HIRE VESSELS

Please complete both sides of the application and return to the above address.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT INFORMATION CLEARLY:		<b>SSN:</b>  ____ - ____ - ____ (License No.)  Please note the last four digits of your SSN/Unique Id will be your license no.
Last Name _____	First Name _____	Initial _____
Street _____	City/Town _____	State, Zip Code _____ Country _____
Mailing Address (If different than above) _____	City/Town _____	State, Zip Code _____ Country _____
<b>Residency Status:</b> Ma Resident: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No U. S. Citizen: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

**Boat Information (if applicable):**  
Vessel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_ ft \_\_\_\_ in MS/DOC No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vessel Homeport: \_\_\_\_\_  
NMFS Northeast Federal Permit Number for this vessel: \_\_\_\_\_ (note: not the Hull Number)

**DOR Affidavit**

By statutory mandate of C. 233 of the Acts of 1983, the Dept. of Revenue is requiring the enclosed affidavit certifying your compliance with the Revenue Laws of the Commonwealth. Failure to accurately execute the enclosed affidavit will result in the non-issuance of your license. Should you have any questions you may contact the Dept. of Revenue at 1-800-392-6089.

Pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 62c, s. 49A, I certify under the penalties of perjury that I, to my best knowledge and belief, have filed all state tax returns and paid all state taxes required under law.

Social Security No. or Federal ID No. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Individual or Corporate Name \_\_\_\_\_

Corporate Officer (if applicable) by: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR HIRE VESSELS:** Check the appropriate box below, and submit with a copy of your current Coast Guard License.  
☐ HEAD BOAT – vessels carrying 7 or more paying customers.  
☐ CHARTER BOAT – vessels carrying 3 to 6 paying customers.  
☐ GUIDE BOAT – vessels carrying up to 2 paying customers.

The cost for MA RESIDENTS is \$10.00  
The cost for non-residents is \$20.00

Only complete the back of this form if you are also applying for a commercial fishing permit.

Use the following checklist to reduce the risk of making errors in completing this application, and a subsequent delay in processing. Please allow 3 weeks for processing.

- ☐ Complete all the requested information above, including the DOR affidavit.
  - On the back of this form:**
  - ☐ Select the license type and endorsement(s) for which you are applying.
  - ☐ Select a Primary Gear Code. Select a Secondary Gear Code if applicable.
  - ☐ Fisheries marked with an asterisk (\*) require additional information; submit information as required.
- ☐ Calculate your total fee, and submit a check or money order made payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- ☐ Sign your application below, and return to the Division of Marine Fisheries at the address listed above. Thank you!

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you need to make any changes to the front of this form, or add endorsements, information on all permit types is printed below.

### COMMERCIAL PERMITS & ENDORSEMENTS:

**Rod & Reel Permit:** Allows the permit holder to commercially harvest finfish with a Rod & Reel only (No other gear type Allowed).

**Individual Permit:** Allows the named permit holder only, to commercially harvest finfish with various gear types, such as; rod & reel, handlines, harpoon. May be endorsed for shellfish.

**Boat Permits:** Covers all people on board the named vessel to commercially harvest finfish using various gear types. May be endorsed for shellfish. This is the permit type most bluefin tuna fishermen purchase.

**Shellfish Permit/Endorsements:** Allows the named individual to commercially harvest shellfish. A town permit is also required.

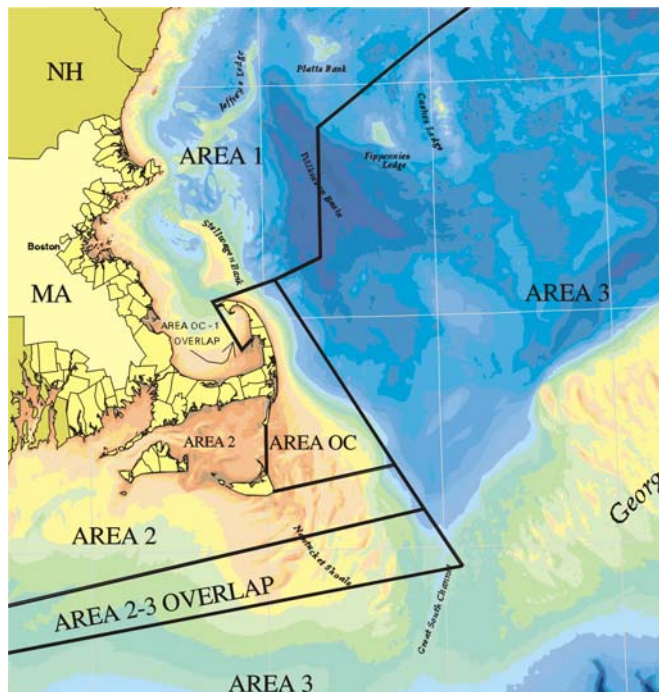
**Offshore Lobster Permit:** Allows the landing and sale of lobsters (to a permitted dealer) taken outside of the coastal waters of the Commonwealth only; pursuant to a federal lobster permit. The permit may be endorsed to take and sell shellfish and non-regulated finfish at no additional cost.

**Commercial Permit Selection:** Please select **ONLY ONE** commercial category from the list below (the top five categories may be endorsed for shellfish and scallop shucking at no additional charge). Please note that to commercially harvest shellfish, you must also have a town commercial shellfish permit (bed certificate).

	MASS RESIDENT	NON- RESIDENT
OFFSHORE LOBSTER*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$260	<input type="checkbox"/> \$520
BOAT 99+ FT	<input type="checkbox"/> \$260	<input type="checkbox"/> \$520
BOAT 60-99 FT	<input type="checkbox"/> \$195	<input type="checkbox"/> \$390
BOAT 0-59 FT	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130	<input type="checkbox"/> \$260
INDIVIDUAL	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130
<input type="checkbox"/> Shellfish endorsement <input type="checkbox"/> Sea scallop shucking <input type="checkbox"/> Bay scallop shucking	There is no charge for these endorsements when purchasing one of the license types above.	
SHELLFISH & SEAWORMS	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80
STUDENT LOBSTER*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130
SHELLFISH & ROD & REEL	<input type="checkbox"/> \$55	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130
ROD & REEL	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100

**Coastal Lobster, \*Offshore Lobster and \*Student Lobster permit applicants:** check all Lobster Management Areas you intend to harvest lobster from. **You must select at least one area.**

☐ LMA1 ☐ LMA2 ☐ LMA3 ☐ OCLMA



**Commercial Endorsements:** Your commercial permit must be endorsed if you harvest any of the regulated species listed below. Select each species you want authorization to commercially harvest by marking the corresponding box. Each endorsement is assessed the indicated fee.

	MASS RESIDENT	NON- RESIDENT
AMERICAN EEL	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
BLACK SEA BASS	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
DOGFISH*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
HORSESHOE CRAB*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
NORTHERN SHRIMP	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
SCUP	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
SEA HERRING	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
SEA URCHIN*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
STRIPED BASS	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60
SURF CLAM* (contaminated)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60

The harvest of bait fish from inshore net areas for commercial purposes and/or with a net greater than 200 square feet requires an endorsement on your commercial permit. Check below to receive endorsement.

INSHORE NET\* ☐ \$30 ☐ \$60

**\*Additional information is required for those endorsements marked with an asterisk (\*), above.**

**Dogfish** - What gear type do you use to harvest dogfish? \_\_\_\_\_  
(see gear codes below)

**Horseshoe Crab** - New applicants must submit an Affidavit, contact DMF.

**Inshore Net** - Submit secondary application. Contact DMF if needed.

**Sea Urchin** - New applicants must submit an Affidavit, contact DMF

**Surf Clam, contaminated** - What is your port of landing?

**GEAR CODES:** What gear type(s) do you most commonly use? Select at least one gear code from the list below.

\_\_\_\_\_ Primary Gear Code \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Gear Code

0120 - PURSE SEINE	*0800 - POTS AND TRAPS
0310 - OTTER BEAM TRAWLS	0911 - HAND LINES
0320 - MID-WATER TRAWL	0912 - ROD AND REEL
0330 - PAIR TRAWL	0920 - LONGLINE
0410 - SHELLFISH DREDGES	1010 - HARPOON
0411 - HAND RAKES	**1200 - OTHER GEAR
0700 - GILL NET	1400 - DIVING GEAR

\*BUOY COLORS: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*If you selected 1200, what is your gear type? \_\_\_\_\_

**Limited Entry:** The following permits and endorsements are limited entry and maybe available by transfer. For more information on the transfer of Limited Entry Permits contact DMF at (617) 626-1520.

**Commercial Permits:** Coastal Lobster

**Endorsements:**

Gillnets	Bluefish Gillnet	Mobile Gear Coastal Access
Fish Pot - Scup	Fish Pot - Conch	Fish Pot- Sea Bass
Fluke	Surf Clam	Ocean Quahog
Bluefin Tuna by Purse Seine		